

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 11, line 1, please replace "21and" with --21 and--.

At page 13, line 2, after "positioned" please delete "to".

At page 14, line 13, after "front side" please delete "one".

Please replace original claims 1-16 with the following claims:

1. A table saw comprising:
 - a table adapted to support a workpiece,
 - a saw unit vertically movably supported above the table, the saw unit comprising a saw blade, [and] a motor housing and a blade case covering an uppermost portion of the saw blade, wherein the saw unit has an uppermost vertical pivot position and a lowermost vertical pivot position.
 - a battery-driven motor disposed within the motor housing and adapted to [rotate] rotatably drive the saw blade,
 - [a handle generally disposed above the motor housing, the handle comprising a battery mounting device adapted to receive a rechargeable battery, wherein the] a battery mounting device [is] disposed at a rear portion of the [handle] blade case and
 - a rechargeable battery detachably mounted [in] within the battery mounting device, wherein the rechargeable battery is disposed above the table.
2. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the battery mounting device further comprises a lid and a hinge, wherein the lid is adapted to pivot to open and close the [mounted] battery mounting device and the rechargeable battery is disposed within the [mounted] battery mounting device and lid to thereby prevent foreign particles from entering the rechargeable battery.
3. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the battery mounting device and the rechargeable battery are disposed in substantially the same plane as the saw blade.
4. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the [battery case] battery mounting device and the rechargeable battery extend in a plane that is substantially parallel to the table when the saw unit is in [an uppermostmost] the uppermost vertical pivot position.
5. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the [battery case] battery mounting device and the rechargeable battery are disposed above a vertical pivot joint when the saw unit is [an a lowermostmost] in the lowermost vertical pivot position.
6. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the [battery case] battery mounting device and the rechargeable battery serve[s] as a counterweight to the motor when the saw unit is in [a vertically extreme] the uppermost vertical pivot position.

7. (New) A table saw as in claim 1, further comprising a handle integrally extending from the blade case, wherein the battery mounting device is disposed at a rear portion of the handle.

[7] 8. A table saw as defined in claim [1] 7 wherein the handle further comprises a switch adapted to manually actuate the motor, wherein the battery mounting device is disposed rearwardly of the switch.

[8] 9. A table saw [unit] as defined in claim [1] 7 wherein the saw unit is vertically pivotable relative to the table about a pivotal axis, and wherein the battery mounting device is disposed on the handle in a position adjacent to the pivotal axis.

[9] 10. A table saw [unit] as defined in claim [8] 9 wherein [the saw unit has an uppermost stroke end and a lowermost stroke end, the position of] the battery mounting device [being determined] is disposed such that when the saw unit is in the [upper stroke end] uppermost vertical pivot position the battery center of gravity is positioned on one side of a vertical plane extending through the pivotal axis while the saw unit center of gravity is positioned on the other side of the vertical plane, and such that when the saw unit is in the [lower stroke end] lowermost vertical pivot position, the battery center of gravity is positioned substantially within the vertical plane.

[10] 11. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the battery mounting device includes a battery case having an opening adapted to discharge foreign particles that enter the battery case.

12. A table saw as defined in claim 1, wherein the [handle] blade case, the battery mounting device and the motor are positioned substantially within the same plane as the saw blade.

13. A table saw as defined in claim [13] 12, wherein the motor has a motor shaft that extends in parallel with a rotational axis of the saw blade and is spaced therefrom, and wherein a belt transmits rotation of the motor shaft to the saw blade.

14. (New) A table saw comprising:

- a table having a generally horizontal surface adapted to support a workpiece,
- a saw unit vertically movably supported above the table, the saw unit comprising a saw blade and a motor housing,

- a battery-driven motor disposed within the motor housing and adapted to rotatably drive the saw blade,

- an auxiliary table disposed adjacent to the table, the auxiliary table having a horizontal surface substantially in parallel to the table horizontal surface and a side surface generally perpendicular to the horizontal surface,

- a battery mounting device disposed within the side surface of the auxiliary table and a rechargeable battery detachably mounted within the battery mounting device.

15. (New) A table saw as defined in claim 14, wherein the motor is disposed on a first lateral side of the saw blade and the rechargeable battery is disposed on a second lateral side of the saw blade, wherein the first lateral side is opposite of the second lateral side.

16. (New) A table saw as defined in claim 14, wherein the battery mounting device is disposed in the side surface of the auxiliary table that faces an operator during use of the table saw.

17. (New) A table saw as defined in claim 14, wherein the battery mounting device is disposed in the side surface of the auxiliary table that is opposite of an operator during use of the table saw.
18. (New) A table saw comprising:
a table adapted to support a workpiece,
a saw unit vertically movably supported above the table, the saw unit comprising a saw blade, a motor housing and a handle and
a battery mounting device disposed at a rear portion of the handle.